



## Association Board Meeting

DATE: Sunday, January 7, 2024

TIME: 7:00pm – 9:00pm

LOCATION: Cy's

### ATTENDEES:

x	Tate Brandt		Connors		Joe Karg		Erin Grier
x	David Verduzco		Kalynn Hammer		Doug Watson	x	Heidi Bisbee
	Danielle Halbert		Brannon Weigel	x	Jeff Pierce		Melissa Coddington
x	Jessica Beekmann		Beth Vriesen	x	Daniel Mitcham		
x	Jeremy Laughlin		Bucketines	x	Greg Riggs		
x	Rhiannon Pankake	X	Michael Bösl	x	Jenna Cruz		
X	Julie Bresser				Cynthia Kennedy		

Agenda Item	Notes
Call Meeting to order	Tate calls meeting to order at 707
Approval of Minutes	Sent out via google chat on Dec 7th - motion by Riggs, Tate to second, vote approved by 9-0.
Discussion Items	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Request from last meeting was to have contract/outline of what to expect from development guys (time we will have them and what to expect)- plan sent out via google chat by JL. Everyone appreciated the outline and seeing the price breakdown being below industry standard</li> <li>● Travel Program Presentation; Expectation, overall program objective (was to be completed, Board reviewed/approved and communicated out prior to 13/14s registration) - Will go live in 2024 for 9-12s and 13s and 14s next year, expectations, absences, etc - hopefully will present by next meeting. Request for a meeting at tryouts with parents. Based on coach's meeting - need for a lot more live meetings.</li> <li>● Pitch, Hit, Run- would we like to do that again.</li> <li>● Activity Timeline/Communication Commitment to membership - we were late getting dome time out. Also late for jersey try outs. Need to ask for what is happening for next month to be in the next newsletter so that we are always</li> </ul>

	<p>thinking ahead. Suggestion to have upcoming dates at the beginning of newsletter for all dates known in the coming 3-4 months</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>Job description of team manager</b> - 4 coaches and 1 team manager, will need to have all of the certifications and paperwork completed. Verification of 4 DIBs and team manager fet DIBs as well for travel. Youth and community to get as many as coaches as well. Will send out cliff notes to coaches who could not make it on Saturday. Jessica to bring team manager JD so that the board can look at and review next month meeting.</li> </ul>
Presidents Report	<p>Jim Richardson has Stepped Down from Travel Director George Mundy has Stepped Down as Grounds Helper... Matt Swarthout to join in helping Connors this season. Need someone to step into the Communications Role ASAP so Jeremy can focus on Travel Director w/ Verduzco helping him. Youth Development position is open as Mike Schladweiler has Stepped Down Concessions to be transitioned in next 30days from Buckintine to Rich Gerszewski</p>
Vice Presidents Report	<p>Sam club renewal needed \$110 a year. David to renew Projections for the The Shed - 5 teams - \$650 registration - part will cover the Shed costs</p>
Treasurer's Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Cash balance as of today: \$71,729.80</li> <li>● Chaska Classic registration - is this open? Do payments come electronically? There are deposits from "SportsSignUp" on the bank statement. Assuming they are Chaska Classic registrations, but want to be sure.</li> </ul>
Communications/Newsletter	<p>Upcoming topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Registration open (please confirm timing of open/close) - Registration for Y&amp;C and 13/14 Travel will launch week of Jan 8 and close Feb 1st. Y&amp;C - late fee will be assigned after March 1st</li> <li>- Dome time reminders/changes (<b>Jan 28th and Super Bowl</b>) and utilization</li> <li>- Scheels 20% coupon day... choose weekend to align with Youth Evals? JL pick</li> <li>- What about umpire recruitment? Needed this year? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- January 24 @5:30pm / January 26 @ 6:30pm Location (Chaska Middle School West Cafe/Commons) Hour each - Jes to reserve spaces</li> <li>- Coordinate umpire training with Development at Dome. Feb 11 and Feb 18 at Dome. This is optional for calling balls and strikes.</li> <li>- Mandatory umpire training in March. (3 options). TBD - Must attend 1 of 3 training options to be eligible to umpire.</li> <li>- Umpire sign-ups can begin on January 24</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Shoutout to Baumann's group for hosting coach meeting &amp; clinics</li> <li>- Save the Date (Youth/Comm evals) March 16th - there will be a coaches' meeting during the expo</li> <li>- 13-14u tryout details (will this include uniform try-ons) Feb 3rd and 4th</li> <li>- March 16th - Chaska Baseball bash</li> <li>- WHAT OTHER TOPICS ARE NEEDED IN MONTH OF JAN? Highlighted blue</li> <li>- Recruit positions: Communications, Webmaster (Field scheduling, website and Sports Engine, google workspace), a couple more concession directors, youth and community development</li> </ul>
Travel Update	<p>David and Jeremy helping to cover travel needs based on Jim's resignation. Trying to tie up loose ends. Coach Development:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- CBA &amp; Varsity Staff hosted coaches meeting on Jan 6th. Engagement and participation seemed very positive! Any feedback from those who attended or heard?</li> <li>- Coach Clinics @ Dome for next 3 Sundays 2-3:30. Led by varsity staff. Please spread word and encourage your coaches to attend.</li> <li>- Coach/Parent clinic hosted by Twins &amp; Matt Raabe on 1/10 @ CCC. PLEASE HELP SPREAD WORD... Open to all current/prospective coaches across age groups. And interested parents. Encourage attendance.</li> </ul> <p>Dome time started, 1/7!</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Jeff's format/plan sent last week for review</li> <li>- Finalization of format/timing of parent comm NOT ideal but we're off and going</li> <li>- Evaluate attendance and pivot groups/ages as appropriate</li> <li>- Process/ownership of setup and clean up of equipment each week?</li> <li>- Clarify expectations/programs goals. Individual player development, not team-specific</li> <li>- Need to work-in Ump Training into dome schedule. Jeff, Jeremy, David to follow up accordingly</li> </ul> <p>13-14u:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Registration opening soon, quick window</li> <li>- The Shed. Format in place, finalizing schedule. Adding expense to cost of registration (Beth, do you know the numbers yet? are they accounted for in registration?)</li> <li>- Tryouts Feb 3-4. Need to recruit coach/board volunteers ASAP to run stations. David, is that you or Jeremy?</li> <li>- Planning to turn teams within a week to allow Shed training to start soon after MBL Travel Directors meeting upcoming mid-Feb</li> </ul> <p>Working on CBA Travel Program info PowerPoint  Jeremy in Costa Rica 2/7-2/14, no access/ability to support CBA stuff that week</p> <p>Roughly 25 for 9/10s and 58 for 11/12s and 21 for 13/14s. 4 were present for youth/community.  OTHER LOOSE ENDS PEOPLE ARE AWARE OF RIGHT NOW REGARDING TRAVEL?</p>
Equipment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 3 Chalkers ordered from Beacon Athletics in December; Discounted price prior to end of year</li> <li>• Equipment needs brought up to Dome; request better planning for equipment needs in future for preparation.</li> <li>• Will be ordering last round from Game One on equipment needs for 2024 season to begin putting bags together; about \$3,300 (pop-up nets, Fungo Paddles, Scorebooks, pitch counter, etc)</li> <li>• Chevrolet Equipment Order...Nikki/Danielle, what is needed to get to Lenzen Chev to order?</li> <li>• Targeting mid-March during Youth expo for travel teams to pick-up equipment and buckets of baseballs</li> <li>• Looked into portable mounds; offer from MBL and Portolite Mounds is good/best offer out there at \$1350 per mound compared to normal price of \$1800 (<a href="https://www.portolite.com/store/p/qpnfsfesq8dw2em5dqwc05jsulm0fj-a6agy-xwy4n">https://www.portolite.com/store/p/qpnfsfesq8dw2em5dqwc05jsulm0fj-a6agy-xwy4n</a>) Spoke to Portolite rep in December, can order whenever (will look to order towards the end January) and look to pick-up at Game One in Edina (will need Joe Karg or someone to help pick-up after ordered and arrives to Game One)</li> </ul>
Grounds	
Fundraising	<p>Reviewed pricing for removable team dugout banners. Reaching out to Andrea to see how much photos will be of the teams/individuals for the banners. Going to send an email to all travel coaches this week about the banners and which teams want to opt in. Pricing is very good and gets even better the more we order. Hoping to make at least \$50 from each team on them.</p> <p>Fundraising spreadsheet will be sent this week to all 12s. Going to send an email to coaches of all travel ages with sponsorship info as well.</p>
Youth	<p>Meet with Carver and we will continue our partnership with 9/10 year olds. Stated we will supply umpires to the Carver fields and Carver will reimburse Chaska for the Umpire fees. Jeff, are you ok with that? Jeff ok with that. Will need to lockbox out there.</p> <p>Youth will be emailing the travel coaches to see who is available to do evaluations for the youth expo on March 16th. Yes ok with the email sending- Julie to send google sheet/excel to david to get it out to travel coaches.</p> <p><b>Julie to send JL the youth information about the youth session and JL can update.</b></p> <p>Meeting with St Paul Saints for week of Jan 21st for a field of dreams</p>

Community	<p>Have updated with registration/Beth to update our teams to be “uniform” with other community teams (using grade vs. age).  Reached out to Carver (no response yet) regarding partnership to field Community teams as needed.  Will send to Jeremy the ages to grades for the website</p>
Umpire	<p>Need space to hold umpire meetings. (2 Meeting Options)  January 24 @5:30pm / January 26 @ 6:30pm Location (Chaska Middle School West Cafe/Commons) Hour each - Jes to reserve spaces at Chaska Middle School  Coordinate umpire training with Development at Dome. Feb 11 and Feb 18 at Dome. This is optional for calling balls and strikes.  Mandatory umpire training in March. (3 options). TBD - Must attend 1 of 3 training options to be eligible to umpire.  Umpire sign-ups can begin on January 24.  Need approval for sign-up genius upgrade - Pierce to do and reimburse</p>
Concessions	
Reg/Uniform/DIBS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● First round of uniforms for 9-12 being ordered</li> <li>● Registration for Y&amp;C and 13/14 Travel will launch week of Jan 8</li> <li>● Expo dibs have been loaded</li> <li>● Will work on reviewing Volunteer agreement to ensure it will be ready for uniform pick up and Expo</li> </ul>
Website	
Secretary	<p>Currently working on bylaws, updates and time for a review of this. Will bring to Feb or march meeting (in same folder as minutes are housed therefore everyone can look at them)</p>
Adjourn Meeting	<p>Jenna motions to adjourn at 837, Julie seconds, approved by vote 11-0</p>